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The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The answer shows that all the considerations were taken into account."

Mr. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR :—" Did communal considerations influence in the matter of making such appointments ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Yes, that was the only thing that was discussed during the adjournment motion."

Mr. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR :—" Sir, so, it was not on the question of merit alone."

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The answer shows that it was not on that alone."

Proceedings of the Inspector-General of Registration regarding appointments in his department.

*1112-B Q.—Mr. K. R. KARANT : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Inspector-General of Registration has issued proceedings stating that promotions as well as appointments in his department will be governed by communal considerations, and that the communities will be given preference in the order in which they are placed in a list issued by him ; and

(b) if so, whether Government will be pleased to place it on the Council table?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) A copy[a] of the proceedings issued by the Inspector-General is laid on the table.

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" May I ask whether initial recruitment is to the selection grade or any other grade?

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" May I know to what clause of the answer the question refers."

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" With reference to the answer to (*b*), I wish to know whether initial recruitment is to the selection grade or any other ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The copy laid on the table relates to the Registration Service and not to the Subordinate Registration Service."

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" May I submit, Sir, that the copy placed on the table refers to initial recruitment ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The copy refers to the initial recruitment to the Registration Service, but the selection grade is in Subordinate Registration Service."

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[a] Printed as Appendix VII on pages 299-300 infra.